

# Boys and Girls Start Work For New High School

## Pupils Begin Campaign For New High School Building

Booster Organization Formed and Committee Is Named to Urge Larger and Better Quarters and to Conduct a Campaign of Education Among the People as to the Needs of the High School.

TO BOOST for a new High school building, the pupils of the High school organized themselves into a booster association Friday. The necessity of having some definite organized work to present the need of the new High school building to the people of El Paso, was discussed at assembly Friday morning. Principal A. H. Hughey, Manuel Schwartz, Fred Hunter, and Ralph O'Neil, made speeches urging prompt action by the students, in enlightening the people of El Paso as to the crowded, cramped condition under which the High school work is being carried on, and the need of a larger and better equipped building. The speakers brought out the facts that the need of the High school building was urgent. There are more students in the school than can be accommodated; the building is not fireproof; the laboratory equipment is inadequate; there is no place in the High school building for the manual training work or the domestic science work for the girls; the pupils of both classes having to go for their work to the Bailey school five blocks away. The commercial department of the High school is already overcrowded in such an extent that the work of the students is greatly hampered and need of a new High school building is much greater than that of a new municipal building, it was argued.

**Committee Is Appointed.**  
To decide upon a campaign to boost the new High school idea, the following committee was appointed: Manuel Schwartz, Eugene Smith, Orban Walker, Walter Ponsford, Carl Tipton, Harold Goldwell, Cecil Stanfield, George Newell, Ervin Schwartz, Dorothy Condon, Rebecca Maestre, Beattie Routledge, Rele Elliott, Earl Weisiger, Chris Jungjohann, Edna Scotten and Hunter.

This committee met Friday afternoon. Principal A. H. Hughey acted as temporary chairman. The purpose of the organization is first to enlighten people as to the need for a new High school building; second, to act as representatives of the students before the forming plans for publicity, for meeting with public bodies of the city, to present the necessity of a new High school; third, to do anything to promote the early action on the part of the city and school authorities for the erection of the new building. Manuel Schwartz was elected chairman of the committee. Dorothy Condon was elected secretary.

**"People Are Apathetic."**

Mr. Hughey opened the meeting by saying "The whole thing we must do is to prove that there is enough interest and life in the High school to persistently keep the need of the new High school building before the people. The people are apathetic to a certain extent, because they do not fully realize how hampered the school work here is on account of the crowded conditions. Even if we get the new High school project started soon, the new school building would not be ready for us before two years, and by that time if we are crowded here now, what will we be in two years' time?"

After a general discussion it was decided that the members of the committee should gather all the information possible concerning the needs in the new school building, and the ways in which the high schools in smaller towns surpass the present building. To obtain a complete list of the needs, the committee was appointed to get data on certain schools. Edna Scotten for the Phoenix High school; Walter Ponsford for the Phoenix High school; Walter Ponsford for the school at Deming and Lucas Baron for the high school at Austin.

**Data to Be Used.**

The data secured by the committee on comparison of High schools will be used by the other members to interest the public bodies of the city. A committee to go before the chamber of commerce and present the need of the new High school building, was appointed. Gene Smith, Earl Weisiger and Manuel Schwartz being selected.

**Three Talks Scheduled.**

To carry out this plan, Orban Walker was appointed to talk on the benefits of a school gymnasium before the school assembly Monday morning. Carl Weisiger will talk on the right kind of laboratory facilities Tuesday morning, and Cecil Stanfield will talk on the proper heating and lighting of a school Wednesday morning.

At the general meeting of the school Friday morning, it was voted by acclamation that the newspapers be given an expression of thanks for their support of the new High school and a committee was appointed to write a letter of appreciation to the papers.

Dorothy Condon, Harold Goldwell, Cecil Stanfield and Carl Tipton were appointed to act on this committee.

The next meeting of the general committee will be held Tuesday afternoon after school for further plans for a vigorous boost campaign.

**Are Pushing New Idea.**

The new school building idea is being pushed in the work of the English and public speaking departments of the High school. Speeches setting forth the need of the immediate erection of a new building were made by every member in the public speaking class Friday. Russell Worthington was given first place and Earl Weisiger second place for their style of delivery. The decisions were made by Samuel O. Weiday, of the faculty.

**SELL RED CROSS STAMPS FOR POOR**

In order that they may be a civic club in spirit and fact as well as in name and theory, the pupils of Miss Catherine Flynn's room of the High school are trying to do something to help the city's poor and something also in harmony with the Christmas season by selling the Red Cross stamps.

They asked for the exclusive right to handle them in the high school and have already sold over \$15 worth and expect to make their sales amount to over \$25 before they finish. Other students of the high school, appreciating their attitude, are buying from them. Mary Clifford holds the record in having sold the greatest number, as she has so far sold 360.

**Dramatize in Order to Aid in Study of Falcone**

Mateo Falcone, which is being studied by the High school English class of the sophomores, is being dramatized and acted by the pupils in connection with the class work. Rele Elliott is taking the part of Mateo Falcone. Anita Maetze has the part of Guiseppe; Jodie Young has the part of Fortunatus; Gamba is acted by Bettie Mary Smith, and Beattie Richardson is the bandit.

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## DEBATE SUBJECT IS CHOSEN BY COUNCIL

Freshmen Decide That Commission Government Is Not Preferable to Mayor and City Council.

For the debate between the Forum and the Philomathean society of the high school the subject, "Resolved, That the United States should acquire no more territory," was decided upon at a meeting Friday of the debating council of the school. In the council are A. H. Hughey, Allen Sayles, S. O. Weiday and Miss Lula Harper, of the faculty. The student members are Dorothy Condon, Walter Ponsford and Manuel Schwartz.

**Freshmen in Debate.**

"That commission government is preferable to a mayor and council system," was the subject debated by the "B" Freshman class of Friday morning. Ervin Schwartz and Harold Dewey, of Miss Catherine Flynn's room argued the affirmative; Fred Humphreys and Ted Platt, of Miss Rebecca Goldstein's room, the negative. The judges, Miss Lavert Chamberlain, Miss Ethel Taylor and Allen Sayles, decided in favor of the negative.

**Philomatheans to Debate.**

At its meeting next week, the Philomathean society of the high school will debate the question, "That the electric light plant should be owned and controlled by the municipal government rather than by individuals." Katherine Farris and Katherine Olson will debate the affirmative, Alice Bishop and Beattie Richardson taking the negative.

**MOCK TRIALS HELD AT FORUM MEETING**

Impeachments and trials formed the principal part of the program at the weekly meeting of the High School Forum Friday night. Chris Jungjohann was "impeached" on charges of "violating the ethics of the society." Will Race and Edie Means were the prosecuting attorneys in the trial that followed the impeachment. James Gorman was for and Elliott Chess and Edie Means were appointed on this committee to select and purchase

**MAKE PERFECT RECORDS IN SPELLING TESTS**

In the spelling tests at the Highland Park school for the past week, the following pupils made a perfect record: Katherine Statham, Willie Brown, Lena Rhoades, Daisy Vaughan and Clarissa Iserman, in the low fourth grade; Ruth Webb and Millie Sumner, in the high fourth grade; Joe Brown, Forest Alston, Agatha Bailey, Nellie Fitzgerald, Teddy Vaughan, Carroll Alston, in the low third grade; Vera Chaney, Myrtle Reminger, Helen Lawson, Virginia Sitter, Larry Franklin, Margaret Barge, Glenn Veater, Dee Lee, Robert Street, John Veater, in the high third grade, and Merz Haden, in the high second grade.

**UTAH GRANDJURY WILL PROBE BLACKMAILING**

Ogden, Utah, Dec. 12.—For a thorough investigation of blackmailing cases and other crimes which the blackmailing handle in letters claim to have committed the first grand jury in Utah since statehood will assemble January 2. It was ordered Friday by Judge Howell and Harris, of the federal district court.

Detective J. M. Martin is now held in jail on a charge of being one of the blackmailers used by Joseph Higginbotham, charged with sending a blackmail letter to his cousin, Harold J. Peery, asking for \$500, was held for the federal grand jury Thursday by federal commissioner Corn, waiving examination.

**BUYS NOTED HORSE.**

J. H. Avery, of Amarillo, Texas, bought from Frank Shannon the famous Orbed Lad, and turned him over to V. B. Mitchell, of Marfa, Texas. Mr. Mitchell will keep him for breeding purposes on his ranch near Marfa.

## Gotham Calls For Sum of \$48,000,000 To Run the City For Year 1914

New York, Dec. 12.—Estimates of their needs for 1914 have been handed to the board of estimate by the heads of the various departments connected with the running of the municipal government. The total appropriations asked for amount to \$48,058,510.65, being an increase of \$3,754,017 over the amount required during the past year. Big increases are asked for by both the fire department and the police department, two of the biggest items of expense. The police commissioner estimates that it will cost \$18,265,395.58 to run his department, this being an increase of \$1,017,234.12 over the amount allotted to him during 1913.

For fighting fires the fire commissioner asks for \$9,936,399.46, an increase of \$988,454.66. Another noted increase is asked by the department of health. The 1913 appropriation for this branch was \$3,366,219.50.



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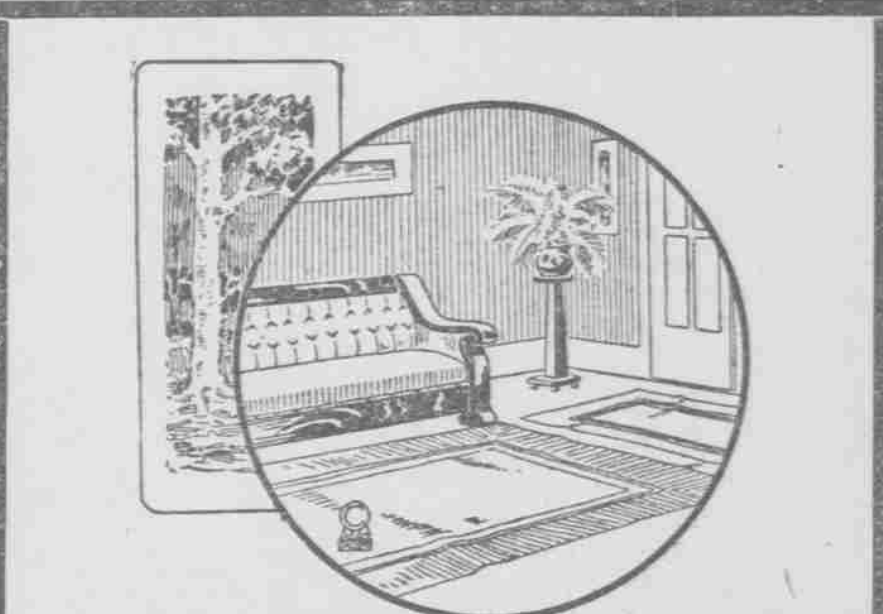
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